

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Bonapartists and monarchists are actively preparing for the coming French elections.

The International Tuberculosis Congress in London has adopted plans to check the spread of consumption.

The White Star liner Celtic, the largest ship in the world, left Liverpool for New York on her maiden voyage yesterday.

The receipts of internal revenue for the year ended June 30 were \$306,871,669, an increase of \$1,555,561 over the preceding year.

General Baden-Powell arrived in England yesterday on his return from South Africa and was accorded an enthusiastic reception.

Sir Hiram Maxim, speaking in London yesterday, said that electric railways with a speed of 120 miles an hour were practicable.

M. Pilon, former French minister to Chile, expresses his opinion that it will be a long time before the Chinese become dangerous to Europe.

Bradstreet reports that the number of business failures in the United States for the week were 199, against 208 last week and 183 this week a year ago.

Count Von Buelow, German Imperial Chancellor, has addressed Mr. Kruger as "President," thus ignoring the annexation of the Transvaal by the British.

Dr. R. Frank Waters, of Baltimore, was found dead in his store yesterday morning, having been killed by an electric current during the storm Thursday night.

Dr. R. Frank Waters, a well-known druggist of Baltimore, was electrocuted late Thursday night at his store in that city. The body was discovered by a clerk when he went to work yesterday morning shortly before 9 o'clock.

Baltimore is counting up the cost of the great storm which visited that city late Thursday afternoon, and while exact figures are hard to obtain, so great was the area covered it is probable that the total damage may be near \$100,000.

A man who said he is James Gray, formerly of Union Pier, Mich., Chicago and Cumberland, Md., who was arrested in Washington yesterday on suspicion of being implicated in the Fesburg murder at Pittsfield, Mass., was later released, the authorities being satisfied that he had nothing to do with the case.

The London Chronicle states that the Lancashire paper making experts, who have returned from their tour of investigation in the United States, say the Lancashire trade, so far as newspaper paper is concerned, must go under in face of threatened American competition, which will be felt within a year.

While in Chicago yesterday William J. Bryan, who is going home after a long tour of the East and South, said: "Imperialism is still the great issue between the two political parties. The tariff, to be sure, is an important subject, but to my mind heart disease is a more serious malady than stomach ache."

Champe Braxton Shepherd, was picked up on the streets of Chicago Friday morning, and was sent to Kankakee Asylum. Long rest and treatment, it is thought, may restore him. Young Shepherd served with honor in the Philippine Islands and was on his way to his old home in Richmond when attacked. He is a son of Jas. H. Shepherd, recently a clerk in the State Auditor's office.

Elizabeth Nichols, aged eight years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Nichols, of Oxford, Md., was accidentally shot yesterday morning by her companion, Ethel Parsons, a girl of the same age. They were playing in a pavilion near Edgemoor Cottage, when Ethel found a cat-and-rat rifle and played with it, not knowing that it was loaded. Elizabeth was standing near when it went off, and the bullet hit her on the temple and her recovery is doubtful.

A. A. McDonald, a respected citizen of Cheraw, S. C., seventy years old, was shot dead in his yard yesterday by Thomas Murray, his son-in-law. Murray abused his young wife for a love affair before their marriage, kicking her down the steps. She went to her father, Murray followed, and said she must return to him, but first he was killed. The old father protested. Murray's wife fled. Then he shot her father and escaped. Murray was the sole policeman of the town of Cheraw.

Last night in the British House of Commons a tremendous session was created when Gibbon Bowles, a conservative, gave a solemn warning to the government that unless peace was made in South Africa before spring extreme grave complications would confront England in Europe. He further stated that he knew that negotiations had been proceeding on the continent during the last six months with the object of inducing or forcing peace, and that England could not persist in outraging the feelings of the great powers without paying a heavy penalty. A ministerial contradiction was looked for, but none came.

Crosses broke the world's trotting record at Cleveland yesterday, going a mile against time in 2:02 1/4.

FAINTED AT A HANGING.—Ten thousand people, men, women, and children, white and colored, witnessed the execution of Charles Anderson yesterday morning at Little Rock, Ark. The gallows was erected in the middle of Cockrell street, between the county jail and the statehouse yard. When the black cap was placed over Anderson's head scores of women became frenzied with excitement and rolled about on the grass in the statehouse yard, rending the air with their screams. The patrol wagon was called and several were taken to their homes unconscious. Anderson refused to make any statement on the scaffold. His neck was broken by the fall and he died without a struggle. The Anderson hanging is the first public execution that has occurred there in twenty-five years, and the third to occur in the State under the new law enacted by the recent Legislature, requiring that executions for assault be public. The crime for which Anderson paid the death penalty yesterday morning was committed on March 13, 1901. He was called Mrs. Belle Edwards at railroad tie camp near Marche, twelve miles west of Little Rock. Mrs. Edwards was cook at the camp, her husband being foreman of the gang.

When you want a modern, up-to-date physic, try Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They are easy to take and pleasant in effect. Price, 25 cents. Samples free at Richard Gibson's drug store.

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VIRGINIA NEWS.

William C. Smith, of Warrenton, has been selected as the manager for the Horse Show to be given in Richmond in October.

Mr. A. Randolph Howard, who purchased the Hunter Foundry and Plow Works in Fredericksburg for \$12,000, has formed a stock company to conduct the business.

Edward Jennings, son of J. N. Jennings, of Warren county, was found dead several miles south of Front Royal yesterday morning. Heat is said to have been the cause of his death.

Mr. H. C. Burrows having withdrawn from the race for the democratic nomination for the legislature in Culpeper county, Captain S. M. Newhouse will be renominated without opposition to succeed himself.

Mrs. Maria L. Maury, widow of James L. Maury, died on Thursday evening at her residence, in Richmond. Mrs. Maury was seventy-two years old, and had been a resident of Richmond for many years.

Norfolk is to have a ten-story office building that will cost \$750,000. The site has been secured opposite the new Federal Building. The first and second stories, it is said, will be occupied as a department store by Myers & Co., of Richmond.

Bloodfield Officer J. H. Madison, brother of the delegate from the Newport News district, yesterday put two bullets into Henry Hall, a Norfolk negro, who was trying to arrest on the steamer Belle Norton. The negro, who will probably die, had wrenched the club from the officers' hand and split his head open before he could draw his revolver. Three bystanders who refused to assist the policeman were arrested and fined.

W. P. McKee, of Petersburg, was drowned in front of the hotel at Nags Head, N. C., yesterday morning while bathing with other guests. The surf was moderately high and though help went to his assistance he soon disappeared, being carried off by the undertow. The body was washed ashore yesterday afternoon. Mr. McKee was a prominent member of the Virginia House of Delegates and one of the foremost lawyers of the State.

Early Ferguson, a notorious negro youth, was arrested in Virginia near Roanoke yesterday, charged with assaulting Luella Taylor, aged thirteen years, daughter of G. C. Thomas, of the Roanoke Banking and Real Estate Company, of Roanoke. The prompt action of the authorities in transferring him to Salem jail probably averted a lynching. Ferguson had just completed an eight months' term in jail on the charge of attacking little Fay Morgan, a white girl, nearly a year ago.

Stanley Hinton, colored, thirty years old, fireman at the Smithfield Ice Company plant in Smithfield, met a horrible death yesterday. His neck and one arm were broken, and his skull crushed by the unimagine starting of the big driving wheel, between whose spokes his head protruded while he was looking after the machinery. One of the plant's owners said that the creation of a vacuum caused the wheel to make a partial revolution. An iron spoke struck Hinton about the head and neck, causing instant death.

THE STATE CONVENTION.

A large number of papers were presented in the constitutional convention during a 30-minute session yesterday.

President Goode offered a resolution looking to the advancement of the mineral development and material interests of the State. It was referred to the committee on agriculture. It provides that it shall be mandatory on the General Assembly to provide for a complete topographical survey of the State, which shall include a delineation of its geological formation; the character and extent of its mineral resources and soils; the quality and bounds of its forest areas; the domain of its fisheries; the location and amount of its water power; the character of its rivers and harbors; the record of its meteorology and climate; and such other branches of inquiry as may be useful in promoting material development and improvement.

Mr. Pedigo offered a resolution, providing that the clauses of the new constitution shall be submitted separately to the people, so that they may adopt or reject the instrument by sections at pleasure.

Mr. Turnbull proposed making the secretary of the commonwealth the keeper of the polls of the General Assembly, abolishing the office of clerks of the House and Senate. The resolution also reduces the number of pages, committee clerks and other House and Senate officers.

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TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

The Convention.

Richmond, Va., July 27.—In the constitutional convention today Mr. Withers offered his plan to reorganize the judiciary. It abolishes all county courts and provides for twenty districts courts. The committee on suffrage is nearly ready to report. There was a twenty-minute session of the convention today.

Lunch of the Battleship Maine.

Philadelphia, July 27.—This proved to be an ideal day for the lunch of the new battleship Maine from the yards of William Cramp & Sons. Thousands saw the giant hull as it glided down the ways; thousands cheered as it touched the water, and hundreds of steamboats, factory, mill, and locomotive whistles carried to the entire city the tidings. All through the morning the sliding ways were being liberally coated with tallow and oil, and wedges were being driven. When all were on the reviewing stand, word was given to "cut loose." Immediately four men, handling an immense cross-cut saw, began work through the 13 or more inches of heavy timber. Nothing was heard for five minutes except the "buzz" of the big saw. Suddenly there was a loud crash; what remained of the beams could no longer withstand the pressure. The weight of the ship tore them asunder, and at 10:40 into the Delaware went the new Maine. Just as she broke loose from the ways, the vessel was christened by Miss Mary Preble Anderson, of Portland, Maine, who broke on the bow, a bottle of American wine. Subsequently a luncheon was served in the big mould loft, at which addresses were made by Gov. Hill of Maine, Charles H. Cramp, president of the ship building company, and others. The special guests included five or six hundred prominent people. Those outside of Philadelphia were brought here by special trains, and before the launch were the guest at the Hotel Walton.

Foreign News.

Lemberg, Austria, July 27.—A rich Pole named Wasilinski today murderously assaulted Archbishop Hausman before the altar in the cathedral. The Archbishop is believed to be fatally injured.

Amsterdam, July 27.—The Government in behalf of the Netherlands railway has demanded damages of the Portuguese government for engines and cars seized at Lorenzo Marques by Portuguese officials.

London, July 27.—General Lord Kitchener reports that a detachment of Stenacker's Cavalry has been forced to evacuate Bremerdorp, in central Swaziland, by a superior force of Boers. The British casualties were ten, besides several missing.

London, July 27.—A dispatch received here from Yermouth, Switzerland, says that a party of tourists fell a distance of one thousand feet. Five of them were killed. Miss Trow, one of the party, was uninjured, and reaching the abyss exclaimed, "What a View."

Batoum, Asiatic Russia, July 27.—The bodies of six victims of the explosion a few days ago in the naval storehouse here, have been recovered. The bodies recovered include those of 30 soldiers and three officers.

Berlin, July 27.—Henry C. Payne, of Wisconsin, the American politician, is confined to his room in the Frankfurt Hotel here with a severe attack of gout.

The Strike.

McKeesport, Pa., July 27.—The strike situation remains practically unchanged. President Holloway, of the local lodge of the Amalgamated Association, is authority for the statement that the men at the Bos-on mill and the Rolling Mill have no intention of striking at present, and that the tube workers will not come out until called upon to do so, by the Federation of Labor. He does not anticipate that this plant will be affected in the near future at least. Today is pay-day at the National Tube Works and the envelopes of the employees contained the promised increase of 10 per cent. General satisfaction prevails among the workmen over the increase.

Shamrock Sails for America.

Glasgow, July 27.—Sir Thomas Lipton's new cup challenger Shamrock II, escorted by the steam yacht Erin, started on her trip across the Atlantic, at 9 o'clock this morning, amid enthusiastic farewells. She displayed an American flag. Designer Watson when asked as to his opinion of the race, said: "She is ten minutes faster over a thirty mile course than any challenger we have ever sent."

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Social Democrats.

Indianapolis, Ind., July 27.—Eugene V. Debs will be the star in the national meeting of the social democrats which begins here Monday. He will arrive tomorrow. The purpose of this meeting is to bring all factions of the socialists into one organization. For a year there have been dual headquarters of social democrats at Springfield, Mass., and Chicago. Twenty-one socialists who left Chicago recently on bicycles to hold missionary meetings in the smaller cities will wheel to Indianapolis for the convention.

Wreck on the Southern Railway.

Asheville, N. C., July 27.—The Southern passenger train from Washington to Chattanooga, left the tracks near Marshall, 30 miles west of here, this morning. All the cars went off the rails except the Pullman and it is reported that they are in the river which is thirty feet deep there. Engineer Watson, of Knoxville, was killed and a fireman injured. No details are obtainable now.

The Markets.

Georgetown, July 27.—Wheat 68 1/2.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEVES.

Gov. General Wood, accompanied by his family sailed from Havana for the United States today.

The American Foundry and Machine Company's plant at Hanover, caught fire in the brass room at an early hour this morning and damaged property amounted to \$100,000.

A terrible accident occurred on the traction line of the Dayton Northern road between Dayton, O., and Greenville, at 8:10 this morning. Two persons were killed and four injured. The accident was caused by a coal tender of a train leaving the track and overturning.

On the charge of grand larceny Daniel F. Myers, President of the Manhattan Fire Insurance Company, was arraigned before Recorder Goff in New York today. The amount involved is \$27,582. He was released under \$5,000 bail. It is alleged that Myers appropriated to his own use a check of the Manhattan Fire Insurance Company for \$27,582, which money he used to pay certain personal losses.

A ten-year-old boy named Peter Winston was today sentenced at Portsmouth, Va., to serve five years in the penitentiary. He was convicted of murdering Charles Wright, eleven years old, a playmate.

The body of a drowned man was picked up last night off Captain's Island, in Long Island Sound. It is believed to be that of Arthur O'Brien, who went down with the yacht Vesuvius on July 18.

PRACTICAL JOKE.—L. F. Chappell, a well-known young cattle dealer, living near Richmond, is in a hospital, there shot, through the body, and other wise wounded. Horace H. Howard and Lyn Chesterman are in Henrico Jail as the result of an alleged practical joke.

Howard, who conducts a grocery store on west Broad street, stated that the shooting of Chappell grew out of a practical joke, which it was attempted to get off on him. It has been the custom of the young men in his neighborhood for some years to initiate any newcomer who happens to associate with them; and Chappell was a late acquisition to the gang. An elaborate scheme had been planned, and yesterday Chappell was enticed to the fair grounds, where Howard and Chesterman and several other young men, among them some who are well known in the city, proceeded to begin operations. The joke included the firing of pistols in the air, and this feature was looked after by Chesterman and another young man.

It had been agreed that, when the reports of the pistols were heard, everybody was to run away, and the plan was carried out in detail. The first he had heard of the injury of Chappell, Howard said, was yesterday afternoon, when he was notified that a warrant for his arrest had been issued. He quietly accompanied the officer to the courthouse, expressing intense surprise that the affair had turned as it did. The only explanation he can give yet, is that the young man who fired the pistol must have gotten excited, and discharged it in the wrong direction.

It is understood that Chappell falls to see the joke, and if he recovers, will prosecute. Chappell, after being shot, walked three miles to his home, and was later taken to Richmond for surgical attention.

[COMMUNICATED.]

That there is an earnest desire on the part of the good citizens of Alexandria that the Aldermen's deadlock should be broken is the opinion that is a primary is the fairest way to settle the trouble, but both parties will not agree to it. The subscriber therefore proposes the following plan and hopes that it will be agreed upon and settle the matter. Mr. Sweeney's name contains seven letters and Mr. Marbury's name contains seven letters and the letters are unlike except the Y. Put thirteen letters in a receptacle, leaving one Y out, draw one letter at a time and place it under the name of the candidate where it belongs, and if the Y is drawn before the name is completed, lay it aside until one name is complete without it. Let the Y be then added and make the name the candidate, and elect the President. We may lose, but if we do it will only be for two years and we can stand that.

T. V. R.

Cure for Cholera Infantum—Never Known to Fail.

During last May an infant child of our neighbor was suffering from cholera infantum. The doctors had given up all hopes of recovery. I took a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy to the house, telling them I felt sure it would do good if used according to directions. In two days the child had fully recovered. The child is now vigorous and healthy. I have recommended this remedy frequently and have never known it to fail. —MRS. CURTIS BAKER, Book-writer, Ohio. For sale by Richard Gibson.

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List of Unclaimed Letters.

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Carleton, Mrs. Maria Mason, Mrs. Inez Campbell, Richard Market & Field Chandler, Miss Annie Middlebrook, Lillie Corby, Howard Mobley, Charles W. Jones, Miss Rose Russell, Mrs. Harriet Dickerson, Mrs. Mattie Sims, Mrs. Geo. Jones, R. W. Tibbs, Miss Ann L. Lacey, John

JOS. L. CRUPPER, P. M.

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